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In re Application of :
ELWAKIL, Hamdy, et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 10/521,500 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(6)
Int'l Filing Date: 20 August 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. AD6907USPCT :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.78(a)(6), filed November 13, 2006, to accept a
under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) for the benefit of the prior-filed application set forth in specification
filed previously.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

The present national phase application has an international filing date of August 20, 2003. It
was filed after November 29, 2000, but the claim of benefit of priority to the prior-filed
provisional applications was submitted in the originally filed specification, before the expiration
of the time period in 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)(ii). Therefore, this petition is not required.

A corrected Filing Receipt, which includes the priority claim to the prior-filed applications,
accompanies this decision on petition.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to Erin P. Thomson at (571) 272-3292.
All other inquiries concerning either the examination procedures or status of the application
should be directed to the Technology Center.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 1774 for appropriate action,
including consideration by the examiner of the claim for benefit of the prior-filed applications.

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ATTACHMENT : Corrected Filing Receipt